

NINE FRENCH SOLDIERS TAKE BIG STEEL FORT

FRENCH CHECK GERMAN RAIDS

Progress is Made at Night by the French Troops on the Verdun Front.

FRENCH SHOW DARING
Artillery Engagements in Verdun Sector Are Reported as Continuing.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
PARIS, July 19.—The French made some progress Tuesday night on the Verdun front in the course of hand grenade fighting in the vicinity of Fleury, says Wednesday's official report. Artillery engagements continued.

A German raid in the region of Paschendaal, Belgium, was checked by the French fire as was a raid north of the Aisne, near Puezzy.

One of the most striking episodes of the great Somme offensive was the taking of the steel fort at Blaches and the garrison of 113 men by nine French soldiers. The fort had resisted throughout the artillery bombardment and the infantry attack had been checked by murderous machine gun fire. By a lucky chance a French officer discovered the precious secret that the terrible bombardment had made the fort vulnerable at one point. Selecting a second lieutenant, two sergeants, a corporal and four men he led them on hands and knees through the long grass to the spot where he knew there was a breach in the defenses. They reached their objective point without the Germans learning of their approach.

Abruptly three of the French officers leaped into the works, shouting in stentorian tones:
"Forward with the bayonet!"
The other six daring Frenchmen remained behind ready to retreat if the attempt failed. But the Germans, taken unawares, had no time to get their weapons and surrendered almost without a show of fight. When one of their number fell, shot by a revolver fired point blank by the commanding officer, the Germans, 113 in all, came out of their shelters and threw up their hands.

GERMANS RECAPTURE PART OF DELVILLE WOOD

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LONDON, July 19.—The Germans have recaptured a portion of Delville wood and obtained a footing in the northern outskirts of Longueval, the war office announced Wednesday.

VILLAGES RECAPTURED BY THE GERMAN TROOPS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
BERLIN, July 19.—The recapture by German troops of the village of Longueval and Delville wood was announced Wednesday by the war office.

ACCEPTS POSITION.

John W. Morgan has resigned his position with the John O'Hare Company, where he had been employed the last three years as bookkeeper and stenographer, and has accepted a position in the sales department of a large manufacturing company in the East, with headquarters at Reading, Pa. Mr. Morgan will take up his new position August 1.

D. F. Hollobaugh, of Mannington, is a visitor here.

DEATH ANGEL CLAIMS FREDERICK M. PIGOTT

Well Known Farmer Passes On at His Home at Dola Following Long Illness.

Frederick M. Pigott, a prominent farmer of Dola, died at his home there at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon following a long illness. Mr. Pigott had been an invalid for twenty years and two weeks ago began to grow weaker and gradually sank until death relieved his sufferings Tuesday.

The deceased man is survived by his widow, Mrs. Harriet Pigott; Carl Pigott, a son who lives at home, and Mrs. Wayne F. Allen and Mrs. Stanley Swiger, both of this city, daughters.

The funeral services will be held at the home at Dola Thursday morning and the body will be brought here on the 11:25 o'clock train and the funeral party will go direct from the station to the Masonic cemetery.

The following well known local business men will act as pallbearers: Honorary, James F. Allen, C. J. Ryan, T. J. Parrish, Orlando Swiger, Harvey W. Harmer and Allen Swiger; active, Carl Hornor, Samuel Rittenhouse, William Carr, Ernest Rittenhouse, Omar Swiger and Harvey Bennett.

STEAMERS SUNK.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LONDON, July 19.—A despatch from Algiers says the Italian steamship Angelo has been sunk by a submarine. The crew was landed. The Greek steamship Evangelistria is believed to have been sunk.

TO WAR STRENGTH

Local Companies of the National Guard Are Ordered to Be Recruited.

Orders have been received by the captains of Companies K and A of the First regiment, West Virginia National Guard here, to recruit their commands to war strength as speedily as possible. Both companies are enlisted at about peace strength, which is sixty-five. The war strength membership is 150.

Company A will have a practice drill this evening in the armory on Second street, starting at 7 o'clock prompt. All members are urged to be on hand at that time. Company A has fifty-seven men and three officers.

Recruits will be examined and enlisted at the local armory. Any one interested in joining the new federalized militia should report there tonight.

RESCUED ALIVE

Are Coal Miners from a Mine in Missouri after a Long Imprisonment.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
JOPLIN, Mo., July 19.—The four men who had been imprisoned in the Babcock mine near here since 2 o'clock Monday afternoon were rescued alive at 7:15 a. m. Wednesday.

The men did not appear exhausted by their vigil of forty-one hours without light, food or water, and were able to walk to their homes. The rescue party first talked to the men through the barrier of dirt that separated them from the shaft at 4 o'clock Wednesday morning.

ANOTHER STORM

Strikes the Gulf Coast at Mobile and Pensacola and is Headed North.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, July 19.—Another West Indian storm, like that which recently struck the gulf coast at Mobile and Pensacola, Wednesday is moving northward over the Atlantic 350 miles directly east of Charleston, S. C. It may sweep the coast from Virginia to Maine should it continue in its path with its present intensity.

DEATH RATE JUMPS

And There Are Many New Cases of Infantile Paralysis in New York.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NEW YORK, July 19.—Both deaths and new cases in the infantile paralysis epidemic took another jump Wednesday. During the twenty-four hours ending at 10 a. m. Wednesday the disease killed thirty children and attacked 142 others in the five boroughs of New York City. This is an increase of 150 per cent in both the mortality rate and the development of the plague in the last forty-eight hours.

CHARTERS

Are Issued by the Secretary of State to Some New Business Concerns.

CHARLESTON, July 19.—Certificates of incorporation have been issued by the secretary of the state to the new concerns who will operate under the state laws of West Virginia.

The Walton State Bank, of Walton, Roane county, authorized capital \$25,000; incorporators, D. I. Dodd, L. F. Whitfield, William Hensley, J. Z. Neal, William Norris, all of Walton.

Union Building and Loan Association of Morgantown, authorized capital, \$99,970; incorporators, S. S. Wade, C. E. Miller, J. C. Kincaid, Charles F. Boehler, O. C. Donley, Aaron J. Garlow, all of Morgantown.

Tri-State Fair Association of Bluefield, to own fair grounds, race course and to operate county fairs; authorized capital, \$10,000; incorporators, J. L. Vaughan, S. C. Snead and W. C. Nelkirk, of Shawville; Hoge Mason, of Bluefield; C. W. Bagwell, of Radford, Va.

Best Grocer Company of Williamsport, authorized capital \$5,000; incorporators, A. G. Williams, John E. Williams, Jr., R. W. Sheppard of Williamsport; Walter Brown, John E. W. Brown of Huntington.

THREE SISTERS GRADUATE FROM UNIVERSITY ON THE SAME DAY AND ESTABLISH NEW RECORD FOR EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT



Left to right: Mamie Rose, Ruby Elizabeth and Jennie Clyde McKay. Three sisters of aristocratic lineage, all under twenty-three years of age, established a record in this country for educational achievement in one family by graduating with honors this season, and taking their degrees on the same day from the University of Alabama. The three girls are the Misses Mamie Rose, Ruby Elizabeth, and Jennie Clyde McKay, who received the degrees of B. A., B. S. and B. A. in the order named.

WOOD SUSTAINED

By the War Department in Ordering Two Officers Mustered Out of Service.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, July 19.—The war department Wednesday sustained the action of Major General Leonard Wood in ordering Colonel Louis D. Conley and Lieutenant Colonel John J. Phelan, of the Sixty-ninth New York infantry, mustered out of the federal service on account of physical disability.

PRIVATE DROWNED

On the Mexican Border in the Army Service and Another Dies There.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
EL PASO, July 19.—News of the drowning of Private Thomas Haag, of Company M, and of the death of Private John DeVinney, of Company L, Tenth Pennsylvania infantry, cast a gloom over the Second brigade Wednesday. Both were on duty with the Third battalion in the Big Bend country. No word has been received here as to what disposition will be made of the bodies. Measles has broken out in the First Pennsylvania infantry, but, as it is in mild form, no serious results are expected. The Second brigade, under General Logan, marched out from Camp Pershing Wednesday for a hike of five miles.

ONE-CENT POSTAGE

Says Postmaster General if So and So Were to Happen but There's the Rub.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, July 19.—Postmaster General Burleson Wednesday told the convention of the National Association of Postmasters that if revenues from second class mail were increased, "extravagance for useless political service" in the rural mail system were curtailed and payments to railroads for mail transportation under the new basis were reduced, he could recommend to Congress next year that letter postage be reduced to one cent.

HELD FOR GRAND JURY.

William Anderson, of near Erie, was held for the grand jury under a charge of selling liquors at his boarding house there and jailed in default of the usual bonds Tuesday night in Magistrate T. G. Nicewarner's court. The case against Mrs. Anderson was continued to a later date and she was released under a personal recognizance.

SOME CHEESE IS SEEN AT CHICAGO DAIRY.

The Chicago Dairy is showing a mammoth cheese which it has just received from Wisconsin. It is the first cheese of its kind that has ever come to this city and is attracting a great many persons.

The Chicago Dairy is always introducing something new, and this great cheese is in keeping with the policy of its store. The cheese weighs 400 pounds and is thirty-two inches high and is encased in a metal container so that none of its moisture may be lost through evaporation.

POSTMASTER M'NEIL FIRED FROM OFFICE

WRIT DISMISSED

And Marshall Will Have to Appear in House to Answer Charge of Contempt.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NEW YORK, July 19.—The writ of habeas corpus sworn out by United States District Attorney H. Snowden Marshall to prevent his removal to Washington to answer alleged contempt of the House of Representatives was dismissed Wednesday by Federal Judge Hahn. Mr. Marshall was remanded to the custody of Robert B. Gordon, sergeant at arms of the House.

CAMP COMFORTS FOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 19.—From the supreme office of the Knights of Columbus here announcement has been made that members who are on Mexican border service with the national guard are to be supplied with camp comforts, if they need them, from a \$25,000 fund appropriated by the supreme officers and directors. W. J. Moriarty, of St. Marys, Kan., will go out as special field agent to look after the distribution of the comforts.

ROMANCE SPOILED, ITALIAN BEAUTY TURNS TO STAGE



Mme. Fernando Rocchi Rialouchinsky.

Mme. Fernando Rialouchinsky, who attracted considerable attention because of her remarkable beauty when she came to New York city with her wealthy husband, is now to go on the stage. The Italian beauty, who speaks five languages, said: "I am going on the stage for several reasons—because I have always wanted to, because I wish to forget the past and make my own future and because I believe that I have talent."

As Postmaster at Pittsburg for Failure to Co-operate with Federal Department.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, July 19.—Postoffice officials admitted Wednesday that Dr. George W. McNeil, postmaster at Pittsburg, had been dismissed from the service for "failure to co-operate with the department." They said Dr. McNeil refused to carry out instructions given in connection with a reorganization designed to increase the efficiency of the office.

The first intimation of the action came in the following paragraph printed in the official bulletin of the department:
"Notice to postmasters—A postmaster at one of the most important postoffices in the United States has been removed for failure to co-operate with the department in carrying out its instructions regarding the conduct of the service in his city."

Dr. McNeil, who had been here attending the National Association of Postmasters, left early Wednesday for Pittsburg after having his name removed from the list of speakers for Wednesday's session.

At the department no information was forthcoming as to just how the postmaster had failed to cooperate. Officials insisted that the published notice contained all the department desired to say on the subject.

FORTY DEAD

And at Least Six Persons Are Missing as a Result of the Flood.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
ATLANTA, Ga., July 19.—As reports filtered through Wednesday from parts of Western North Carolina, which have been isolated by the recent flood, the death list continued to grow. Six additional fatalities were reported Wednesday, bringing the known death list to forty while at least six persons are missing.

Eleven persons were drowned in the villages of Bat Cave and Chimney Rock, N. C., which meager reports show were hit by the storm. Two unidentified bodies were found near Belmont, N. C., Wednesday while another death is reported from near Greenville, S. C., in the falling of a railway scaffold undermined by the flood.

ACTIVITY REVIVED.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
BERLIN, July 19.—Revival of activity in Albania where the military situation has been virtually unchanged for months is reported in the official Austro-Hungarian statement of July 16.

SPECIAL ELECTION IS NOT TO BE ORDERED.

CHARLESTON, July 19.—It has been made known at the capital that there probably will be no special election for the purpose of electing a member of Congress from the Fourth district to succeed Representative Hunter Holmes Moos, of Parkersburg, who died at Atlantic City last week.

The Republican and Democratic nominees—H. C. Woodard, of Spencer, and T. A. Null, of Huntington, respectively, will oppose each other in the regular election in November to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Moos, and the regular term as well.

RUSSIAN TROOPS ENTER HUNGARY

MAJORITY 548

Figures Announced by Secretary of State Exclusive of One District.

CHARLESTON, July 19.—Six hundred votes in round numbers, is the majority by which Judge Ira E. Robinson, formerly of the supreme court of appeals, was nominated June 6 over his opponent, Attorney General A. A. L. Lilly, according to figures on file in the office of the secretary of state. The exact figures are 584.

These figures are exclusive of those in Elkhorn district, McDowell county, where Judge Robinson received a majority of 221. It was in this district that election officers were arrested on trumped-up charges after trouble had been started following the statement of T. E. Houston, coal operator and supporter of Lilly that there would be no election unless his secretary and treasurer were appointed a clerk in the primary. A new voting place was established and Robinson received the majority named.

An agent of the United States department of justice, sent into McDowell county to investigate the situation growing out of the election, said he had received no instructions to visit Elkhorn district. He confined his activities to Atkins district.

MRS. TEANO DEAD

Wife of Joseph Teano, of Wilsonburg, Dies in Local Hospital.

Mrs. Mary Belotti Teano, aged 33 years, wife of Joseph Teano, of Wilsonburg, died at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday morning in a local hospital following a surgical operation. Mrs. Teano had been ill for several weeks.

The deceased woman is survived by her husband, Joseph Teano, two sons and two daughters.

The funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at the church of the Immaculate Conception and the burial will be in the Holy Cross cemetery.

RACE RIOTING

In the City of Chicago in Connection with Orgy of Killing is Feared Now.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
CHICAGO, July 19.—Crowds gathering in the vicinity of 320 Irving avenue, where Tuesday the negro, Henry J. McIntyre, in an orgy of killing sent four people to their deaths and was himself together with his wife later killed, gave rise to fears of possible race rioting early Wednesday and caused policemen to be dispatched to the scene. To prevent further difficulty negroes were ordered by the police to keep off the streets.

CLUB'S MEMBERS ARE ALL EXCITED

BAPTIST

Assembly Will Be Held at the Broadus Institute at Philippi June 1 to 7.

The seventh annual session of the West Virginia Baptist Summer Assembly will be held at Broadus Institute at Philippi August 1 to 7, inclusive.

A splendid program has been arranged for the seven days and speakers and musicians of note will participate.

Among those who will take part are the Rev. W. J. McGlothlin, the Rev. W. B. Morris, Miss Daisy Dean, the Rev. Frank L. Anderson, the Rev. F. A. Agar, Mrs. Daniel Sheppard and Jackson Clyde Kinsey. Bible study, studies of nature, child life, lectures on current topics, etc., will feature the program.

The assembly was organized seven years ago. The affair has grown so popular that at last year's session more than 200 were present, and prospects are good for an even larger enrollment this year.

The institute is situated above the town of Philippi on the highest ground in that section. The sessions are held in the school buildings and a large amphitheater which has been erected. Amusements such as boating, tennis, etc., are indulged in by the visitors.

MR. CHALFANT ILL.

Lloyd Chalfant is ill at his home on East Poplar street.

Having Crossed Carpathians, They Penetrate That Country with Day's March.

AUSTRIANS THREATENED

Advance is Being Made by Russian Armies after an Interval of Quiet.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LONDON, July 19.—The Russians have crossed the Carpathians and have penetrated a day's march into Hungary, according to a Petrograd despatch.

The despatch says the Russians are threatening the Austrian rear in the mountains.

The advance is being made, according to this information, by the armies of General Letchitzky, which are again on the move after an interval of quiet.

TEDDY AND TAFT

Are to Receive Invitations to Attend Formal Notification of Charles E. Hughes.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NEW YORK, July 19.—Three thousand invitations to attend the meeting at Carnegie hall here on the evening of July 31 to give Charles E. Hughes formal notification of his nomination are being sent out by Secretary James B. Reynolds. It was said Wednesday that 1,200 seats will be turned over to George W. Perkins for Progressives. Among those who will receive invitations are Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft.

FLOOD WATERS

Rapidly Recede Leaving in Wake Great Property Loss and Many Deaths.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
ASHEVILLE, N. C., July 19.—Flood waters in the Carolinas were rapidly receding Wednesday leaving in their wake a property loss variously estimated at from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000 and a list of deaths from drowning that has steadily increased since the waters rose Sunday. Wednesday the toll of human life stood at thirty-four.

PEACE DISCUSSED.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, July 19.—The minister from Switzerland, Dr. Paul Ritter, Wednesday discussed the prospects of peace in Europe with Acting Secretary of State Polk. He indicated afterward that his talk had been without tangible results.

RICHARDS CHILD BURIED.

Funeral services over the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Richards, of Reynoldsville, who died Tuesday night following a few hours illness were held at the Richards home Wednesday afternoon and the burial was in the Odd Fellows cemetery at O'Neil.

Over the Announcement of the \$125 Ring Offer in the Telegram's Contest.

Aroused by the announcement of the \$125 diamond ring offer there is the greatest excitement among the members of the Telegram 10,000 club. Every member realizes the full significance of this offer and not one is to be caught napping by his competitor.

The beautiful solitaire diamond ring was purchased from the reliable and well-known jewelry firm of F. A. Robinson and Son and is on display in the firm's window on Main street where all club members and others are invited to inspect it.

This diamond awaits the club member who turns in the most business this week, ending at 9 o'clock Saturday night. One hundred and twenty-five dollars for a week's work is very good pay for the time of any club member, even though that was all he got, but the best part of all is that the subscriptions that are counted on the diamond ring are also counted towards winning one of the big Overland sixes or other valuable prizes which will be given away on July 29.

The time has arrived when you will have to get good, big business or be left out of the prize list at the close. The hustlers are fast forging ahead this week and the laggards will be left so far behind that they will hardly think they were ever in the race. Club members will also receive many votes this week through the special bonus vote offer of 20,000 extra votes for every club of 25 worth of subscriptions. These bonus certificates are in addition to the regular vote. Each club member may have as many of these bonus certificates as he or she can collect. Work hard this week and win.